

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING OF THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC  
SERVICE COMMISSION HELD IN ITS OFFICES ON OCTOBER 11, 2016

Commission Chairman Sally A. Talberg called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.  
Executive Secretary Kavita Kale called the roll and declared there was a quorum.

**PRESENT**

Commission: Sally A. Talberg, Chairman  
Norman J. Saari, Commissioner  
Rachael A. Eubanks, Commissioner

Staff: Sally Wallace  
Judy Palnau  
Kavita Kale  
Al Freeman  
Derrell Slaughter  
Dave Isakson  
Lisa Felice

Public: Donald Hazzard  
Suzy Westmoreland, MEGA  
Candace Gonzales, Consumers Energy  
Steve McLean, SEMCO  
Arthur LeVasseur, Fischer, Franklin & Ford  
Yvette Collins, AT&T

- I.** Commissioner Saari moved to approve today's agenda, Commissioner Eubanks seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The agenda was approved.

- II.** Commissioner Saari moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of September 23, 2016, Commissioner Eubanks seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The minutes were approved.

### **III. ORDERS**

#### **A. COMMUNICATIONS**

1. U-14152 AT&T MICHIGAN AND LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS, LLC  
U-14238 AT&T MICHIGAN AND ACE TELEPHONE COMPANY OF  
MICHIGAN, INC., f/k/a DRENTH TELEPHONE COMPANY  
U-17982 AT&T MICHIGAN AND BCN TELECOM, INC.  
(interconnection agreements and amendments)

Case No. U-14152 *et al.* requests Commission approval of interconnection agreements and amendments. The order before you approves the requests. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

#### **B. ELECTRIC**

1. U-17918 CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY  
(’16 PSCR plan)

Case No. U-17918 involves an application by Consumers Energy Company for approval of a power supply cost recovery plan and for approval of monthly power supply cost recovery factors for the year 2016. The order before you approves the plan, as amended by the order and accepts the company’s five-year forecast. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

2. U-18057 PALMCO POWER MI, LLC  
(AES license application dismissal)

Case No. U-18057 involves an application filed by Palmco Power MI, LLC, for a license to operate as an alternative electric supplier in Michigan. The order dismisses the

application at the request of the applicant without prejudice. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

3. U-18076 DTE ELECTRIC COMPANY  
(REP amendment)

Case No. U-18076 involves an application by DTE Electric Company requesting approval of a voluntary renewable energy pilot program. The order before you approves the program as set forth in the order. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

4. U-18086 UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY  
(‘15 REP reconciliation)

Case No. U-18086 involves an application by Upper Peninsula Power Company requesting authority to reconcile renewable energy revenues and expenses for 2015. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the proceeding. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

5. U-18131 DETROIT THERMAL, LLC  
(steam rate case)

Case No. U-18131 involves an application by Detroit Thermal, LLC, for authority to redesign and increase rates for steam service and for

other relief. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in this case. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

**C. GAS**

1. U-17942 SEMCO ENERGY GAS COMPANY  
(’16-’17 GCR plan)

Case No. U-17942 involves an application by SEMCO Energy Gas Company requesting approval of its gas cost recovery plan and factor for the 12-month period ending March 31, 2017. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

2. U-17975 SEMCO ENERGY GAS COMPANY  
(tariff revision – curtailment policies)

Case No. U-17975 involves an application by SEMCO Energy Gas Company requesting authority to revise and implement new tariff sheets updating the company’s curtailment policies and other related provisions. The order directs SEMCO Energy Gas Company to file a written response to Retail Energy Supply Association’s December 17, 2015 comment on or before October 25, 2016, and also sets a deadline for responses to SEMCO Energy Gas Company’s filing. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

3. U-18058 PALMCO ENERGY MI, LLC  
(AGS license application dismissal)

Case No. U-18058 involves an application filed by Palmco Energy MI, LLC, for a license to operate as an alternative gas supplier in Michigan. The order dismisses the application at the request of the applicant. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

4. U-18059 PRESQUE ISLE ELECTRIC & GAS CO-OP  
(’15 TIER ratemaking mechanism)

Case No. U-18059 involves an application by Presque Isle Electric & Gas Co-op for review of its times interest earned ratio ratemaking mechanism for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2015. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case. Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission approve the order at its October 11, 2016 meeting. Commissioner Eubanks seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks  
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

#### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Donald Hazzard, Ypsilanti, addressed his concerns about DTE Energy’s recent request for personal information. Chairman Talberg referred him the Customer Service Division.

Chairman Talberg announced that the next regularly scheduled Commission Meeting will be held on Monday, November 7, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Saari moved that the Commission adjourn, Commissioner Eubanks seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Talberg, Saari, Eubanks

Nays – None

The motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

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Kavita Kale  
Executive Secretary